

AUTOPSY REPORT

Case Number:

October 2, 2017

POSTMORTEM EXAMINATION ON THE BODY OF



Date of death: 2230 hours on October 1, 2017

Date of examination: 2330 hours on October 2, 2017

IDENTIFICATION: The body is identified by a tag on the right great toe bearing the decedent's name and case number.

<u>WITNESSES</u>: Assisting is Forensic Technician Suzanne. There are no outside observers.

CLOTHING: The body is unclad when initially viewed. A pair of black pants, a blue and yellow shirt, and black shoes accompanies the body.

EVIDENCE OF MEDICAL THERAPY:

- 1. Oropharyngeal airway.
- 2. Automated external defibrillator pads.

EXTERNAL EXAMINATION

Injuries are described in a separate section below.

GENERAL: The body is that of a normally developed, well-nourished, male appearing consistent with the listed age of years. The length is 73 inches, and the weight is 265 pounds as received. The body is well preserved, cold, and has not been embalmed. Rigidity is fully developed in the jaw and extremities. Lividity is pink-purple, nonblanching, and in a posterior distribution.

HEAD: The scalp is covered with black hair measuring up to 1 inch on the top of the head and closer on the sides. There is a beard and moustache on the face. The ears are normally formed with bloody drainage. No piercings are apparent. The irides are brown, the corneas clear, and the bulbar and palpebral conjunctivae free of petechiae. The sclerae are white. The nose





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is intact, and the nares are unobstructed. The lips are normally formed. The teeth are natural and in good condition.

NECK: The neck is symmetrical and without injury.

CHEST AND ABDOMEN: The chest is normally formed, symmetrical, and without palpable masses.

The abdomen is slightly protuberant and soft. No masses are palpable.

EXTERNAL GENITALIA: The external genitalia are those of an uncircumcised adult male with both testes palpable in the scrotum.

BACK: The back is straight and symmetrical. The anus is atraumatic.

ARMS: The arms are normally formed. No needle punctures, track marks, or ventral wrist scars are seen. The fingernails are trimmed short and slightly bloody.

LEGS: The legs are normally formed and without edema, amputation, or deformity. The toenails are trimmed short and are clean.

BODY MARKINGS (SCARS AND TATTOOS):

Scars:

A 1 x 1-1/16 scar on the right thigh.

Tattoos: None identified.

EXTERNAL EVIDENCE OF INJURY

There is a penetrating gunshot wound of the head. Directions are stated with reference to standard anatomic positions.

PENETRATING GUNSHOT WOUND OF HEAD:

ENTRANCE: There is an entrance gunshot wound on the right side of the forehead. It is centered 3/4 inches below the top of the head



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and 2-1/4 inches right of midline. It is a 1/8 inch diameter defect with a 1-1/6 rim of abrasion. No soot or stippling is identified on the adjacent skin.

PATH: The projectile enters the head, fracturing the skull and injuring the brain and fragmenting into numerous small pieces. There are bilateral periorbital ecchymosis.

DIRECTION: Front-to-back and right-to-left.

OTHER INJURIES:

There is a 1 \times 1 inch purple contusion on the posterior aspect of the right hand.

SPECIMENS RETAINED

TOXICOLOGY: Peripheral blood and vitreous humor are retained for toxicology. Toxicological testing detected no alcohol or common drugs of abuse.

HISTOLOGY: No tissue is retained.

PHOTOGRAPHS: Digital identification photographs and overall external body photographs are taken.

RADIOGRAPHS: Full body radiographs are taken and show numerous small metallic fragments in the head and numerous skull fractures.



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CAUSE OF DEATH:

This /ear-old

died as a result of gunshot wound of head.

Date signed: 12/20/17

male,

MANNER OF DEATH:

HOMICIDE.

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